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4-H Public Speaking awards

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's Public Speaking Competition winners for 2011 proudly display their trophies. Back, left to right are: Tyler Ockerman, senior demonstration, Madison MacDonald, intermediate demonstration, Bailey Oster, second place senior speaker, Leanna Gibson, first place intermediate speaker, Ashley Bristow, second intermediate speaker; front, left to right: Fawn Ockerman, junior demonstration, Dana Gibson, second junior speaker, and Hayley Vinge, first place junior speaker. Not pictured are senior speaking winner Madeline Ludlage and Bryce Osinchuk, who partnered with Madison in the intermediate demonstration.

Multi Club names top speakers

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club's parade of 25 well-prepared speakers and three presentations provided a definite challenge for the judges of the annual Public Speaking Competition on Sunday at the Elk Point Seniors' Recreation Centre.

Close to four hours of prepared and impromptu speeches later, the day's top speakers were called forward to claim their trophies.

Each age group had just one presentation, which made this portion of the program easier for the judges. Plaques from Elk Point Community Lions went to senior member Tyler Ockerman, who had some assistance from sister Robyn, who also served as the day's mistress of ceremonies, for his presentation on 'My Farm'. Madison MacDonald and Bryce Osinchuk paired up for the intermediate presentation on 'Ukrainian Dancing,' while junior Fawn Ockerman got ready for her favourite sport in a presentation on 'My Hockey Suit.'

Thirteen junior speakers took their turns at the microphone, to be judged by Heather Harms, Connie Olstad and Cathy Ockerman. When all the points were added up, second generation 4-Her Hayley Vinge took home the Elk Point Review trophy for first place with her prepared speech on Bullying and an impromptu about her dog, while Dana Gibson placed second for the Knotty Boyz trophy with the very first prepared speech of the day, on 'My Awesome Christmas Vacation.'

Big sister Leanna Gibson led the way in the intermediate division for the Big M Mechanical trophy, speaking on 'Advancing Technology,' with Ashley Bristow outlining all the fun she had last summer to take second place, sponsored by Lakeland Tire Ltd.

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Station restoration making progress

By VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

"I finally have something positive to report," construction foreman Evan Finley told the Heinsburg Community Development Society at Saturday's meeting in the railway theme park kitchen, as the group discussed the restoration of the community's vintage train station.

Step one, he said, was getting the foundation repaired. "Then we found the original blueprints and wrote to (Alberta Historical Resources Foundation heritage conservation advisor) Gary Chen. We've

moved into the telegraph room, the windows have been repaired and puttied and the lumber has been ordered for the counter. Now we've taken the windows out of the waiting room and are working on them."

Finley says the group is "trying to get a certain portion of the building done right away" for use as a visitor information centre. Lane Scott and Shane Hansen have built enough of the totally new platform to access that portion of the station.

"It's nice to see stuff like this happen," society president Vic Stapleton affirmed.

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Colleen Sharkey, Gary Chen, Evan Finley and Vernon Sharkey study plans and photos of Heinsburg's train station as they work on plans for its restoration.

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County council debates tax penalties

By SHAUNA BURKE
Review Contributor

County of St. Paul council expressed differing opinions at the Feb. 8 council meeting, about a request from county administration to simplify the penalties charged to county residents that do not pay their taxes on time.

Under the 2003 Tax Penalty Bylaw, the charges on unpaid taxes are a three per cent penalty on current taxes as of July 1, a five per cent penalty on current taxes on Oct. 1 and Nov. 1 (except for farmland properties and farm residences), and a five per cent penalty on current taxes as of Dec. 1 on farmland properties and farm residences only. On March 1, people must pay a 10 per cent penalty on the total taxes owing.

Sheila Kitz, CAO of the County of St. Paul, explained to

council this bylaw was cumbersome. "This is quite an administrative nightmare to do this kind of tax penalty calculation and it certainly ties up our staff time, running penalty calculations," said Kitz, recommending that county council approve a new bylaw with a simplified penalty schedule.

The new schedule would charge a five per cent penalty on current taxes owing as of July 1, a five per cent penalty on current taxes on Dec. 1 and a 10 per cent penalty on taxes owing as of March 1. The changes proposed by county administration would only result in a decrease of \$932.52 collected, she said.

Steve Upham, reeve of the County of St. Paul, said that although there is a small decrease in revenue from the penalties on the unpaid taxes under the proposed bylaw, there might be additional benefits, because area farmers will have more incentive to pay their taxes by July 1.

"So although there is a cost to us, the money will come through four months earlier so that might help us with cash flow and interest expenses so there could be some offset and it may not cost us anything," said Upham.

Coun. Cliff Martin said he felt the new bylaw would encourage all residential taxpayers, and not just those with farmland properties and farm residences, to leave their taxes unpaid until Dec. 1. "So if you decide that you are not going to pay on July 1, then you won't pay until Dec. 1," said Martin.

"Taxes are fairly simple," added Coun. Glen Ockerman, saying he agreed with Martin's views. Council defeated the motion and the tax penalty charges will remain unchanged.

Ashmont Sewage Lagoon

County council considered making a change to a bylaw which would allow public works to clear the underbrush and create a turnaround next to a manhole at the Ashmont sewage lagoon to make the area more accessible to contractors.

The area adjacent to the sewage lagoon is currently designated as municipal reserve land and may only be used for a public park, a public recreation area or for school authority purposes. A change in bylaw would be required to permit brushing the property. Coun. Frank Sloan, who represents the area in question, felt the issue needed to be considered more carefully.

"I went out and looked at this situation and what is going on there is not working. I would like to discuss it further at public works," said Sloan. "You can't be using that manhole to be dumping (waste) in. You are going to have a plugged system. I went and inspected it and it would be a nightmare. You can't dump into a manhole and have it drain down into an eight inch pipe ... the material that they are dumping in there is going to plug that pipe."

Sloan made a motion to bring the issue back to County's public works department to try to come up to a new plan.

The motion was approved.

Chamber of Commerce funding requests

Council approved financial contributions to local Chambers of Commerce to assist with operating expenses, at the same rate that it has offered since 2006.

Martin raised concerns that the St. Paul and District Chamber of Commerce had not asked the Town of St. Paul for funding, but was instead coming to the county for funding assistance.

However, Ockerman said it was a worthwhile investment. "We have always felt that this was a value to us and have supported our chambers of commerce."

Council approved giving \$10,000 to the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce, \$4,000 to the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce and \$1,500 to the Mallaig Chamber of Commerce.

Fire services agreement

County council considered some changes made to the renewal of the Fire Services Agreement between the Town and County of St. Paul. The current agreement expired at the end of 2010.

Ockerman, who is also chair for the Elk Point Fire Services Board, expressed concerns with some changes made to the proposed contract. He disagreed with a change in having only one elected official from each municipality sit on the St. Paul Joint Fire Protection Management Committee, rather than two or three, and expressed concern about the committee not doing a budget, saying it would be useful to track the fuel and maintenance costs for each truck to plan for repairs.

County decided to table the matter and return the contract, while recommending an annual operating budget and maintaining two elected officials from each of the municipalities on the committee.

Dumping large loads at the landfill

Fodness brought forward concerns of area farmers about Evergreen Regional Waste Management's charge to dump garbage over 1,000 kg at the landfill site. She explained that three farmers in her division approached her because they were doing some clean-up on their properties and were penalized when taking loads to the garbage.

Ockerman, chair of the waste commission, said the regulation was in place to stop contractors from dumping large amounts of waste without paying.

The rule has been effective in cutting down on abuse at Evergreen, said Ockerman. "It only brings in a \$1,000 per year but it has stopped that abuse by contractors."

Coun. Dwight Dach suggested setting aside a day or possibly two days per year where the extra charge is suspended. This would allow county residents a chance to take large loads to the facility and still control abuse by contractors, he said.

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Heinsburg station

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The project is not without problems, however. Finley asked Chen for input on the proper material to replace a section of wall covered with plywood in the telegraph room, and also noted that the asbestos shingles on the outside of the building must be removed, bagged and hauled to an approved disposal site at New Sarepta by qualified workers, and replaced by an alternative material, such as siding or stucco.

"Stucco is more traditional," Chen said, "but I'll have to look into it in more

detail."

Finley said the backfilling has all been done, and the interior of the basement walls have been steam cleaned and are ready for parging.

"We've come a long way - we even have lights again," Stapleton said.

Chen commended the society on the work done so far. "Restoration work, I like to see done slowly, and done right."

Three years ago, the previous group, considering restoring the structure applied to Alberta Historic Resources for funding for a

study, he noted, and the funding was allocated. However, the current group decided they didn't need a study. He suggested the society request to be able to use the money for other work. The funding request has to go through the board, and must be a formal request to change what it will be used for.

Chen also suggested the society make an application for funding for interior restoration. "We allow you to make the building functional, if you don't make drastic changes and leave it so people can see the original character, but we won't pay for (these types of renovations). It has to meet the fire code and the electric code, and we will allow those changes to be made. It still needs to have the feel of a train station. I will work with you, and try to preserve what is. If it can be restored, don't throw it away," he advised. Restoration materials should be "as compatible as possible, not necessarily an exact duplicate."

The station is one of the few in Alberta that is located on its original location, Chen said.

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St. Paul Education Regional Division board chair Darrell Younghans brought the FGM Loyal Order of the PUP special recognition in the form of the Doug Yeo Youth in Action Memorial Award, which the PUPs will use to spread love and compassion through acts of kindness in their school and community. He presented the award to FFamily School Liaison Worker and PUP advisor Sherry Bowerr-Gagne.

FGM students meet ‘Grand Old Puppi’

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

“Grand Old Puppi” Bill Gordon, creator of the Loyal Order of the PUP (Practitioners for Underground Philanthropy) came to F. G. Miller High School last Monday to welcome the newest members of the Order, which now includes the FGM student body and staff, and the Grade 6 students who will be moving across the street next fall.

His entertaining and energetic presentation encouraged his audience to imagine a family, a school, a community and a world where people make a positive difference by choosing acts of kindness over acts of violence and acts of creativity over acts of vandalism.

Gordon listed the “Five Cs of Remarkable People.” The first ‘C’ is for Commitment, he said, “the commitment that you will follow through on what you say you will do, and make a difference.” Next came “a Challenge to Change attitude. You own actions can change something about the world.”

Creativity dealt not necessarily with being artistic or musical, but with “thinking in a creative way. It’s the Number One skill to bring to an organization, to think, ‘how can I make this work?’”

Communication is more than talking or texting, Gordon said. “It’s listening to people when people need to talk.”

The fifth ‘C’ is for caring. “Some care about the environment, some about people; and come about the community,” he noted.

“At the end of today, you will all become members of the Order of the PUP. Now that you’re all members, here’s some homework.”

In explaining the assignment, Gordon pointed out that “Any act of kindness affects three people: the person who receives the

kindness, the person who gives the kindness and the people who see it happen, who feel good to know that people are doing good things.” Bullying has the same powers, he noted, only with bad feelings generated rather than good. “Kindness is an antidote to bullying.”

He told the story of a school where the Grade 9 students asked for a list of the new Grade 7s, and phoned each of them to welcome them to the school. “The whole atmosphere of the school changed, it became kindness-based.”

For homework, Gordon asked each person present to, in the coming year, “hit three targets with kindness. One, be kind to yourself. Treat yourself with respect and kindness. Second, be kind to someone you know, in your community, and third, be kind to people you’ll never meet, strangers near and far.”

In response to the third part, he said, one school held a head shaving one noon hour, and collected \$17,000 for kids with cancer.

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‘Grand Old Puppi’ Bill Gordon was presented with one of the F. G. Miller chapter’s bright yellow t-shirts, by PUPs (left to right)

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EDITORIAL

Family time

It's family time. This weekend we celebrate families and all they mean to us.

Family Day is a holiday based solely on the family itself, without the distraction of gifts, chocolate eggs, parades and fireworks. It's a time to spend together, enjoying one another's company, sometimes getting to know more distant, by age, miles or both, relatives a little better. It's a time to share stories about the past, to look through the family albums, to cook up some favourite family recipes or take part in some favourite family pastimes.

It's also a time for all of us to realize how important the family unit is to us, how our lives have intertwined to make strong bonds that sometimes are stretched a little, as we add new members, and sometimes frayed, as we reluctantly part with family members.

It's also a time to mend some of those frayed parts, when the rift has come from misunderstandings or disagreements. Life is too short to be at odds with those you care about, especially when they're part of your family.

WAY BACK WHEN...

Bonspiels,
Beavers and
buffalo coats

HERE'S THE NEWS THAT MADE THE HEADLINES OF THE LAKELAND REVIEW AND ELK POINT REVIEW FOR THE WEEK OF FEB 15 IN...

1986

Murray Babcock, Linda Grabas, Leonard Gadowski and Sharon Hildebrandt took home the Doug Berg Memorial trophies from Elk Point's mixed bonspiel, after their win over the Don Robertson rink from Edmonton. Oil companies financing heavy oil recovery projects in the Lindbergh field were keeping a close eye on plunging world prices, but were not taking drastic measures yet.

1991

Boy Scouts, Beavers and their leaders attended town council's meeting, where Deputy Mayor Adele Mandryk signed a proclamation declaring Feb. 17 to 25 as Scout-Guide Week in Elk Point. Town council also took another look at scaled-down plans for the proposed Community Cultural Centre and gave the idea a warmer reception.

1996

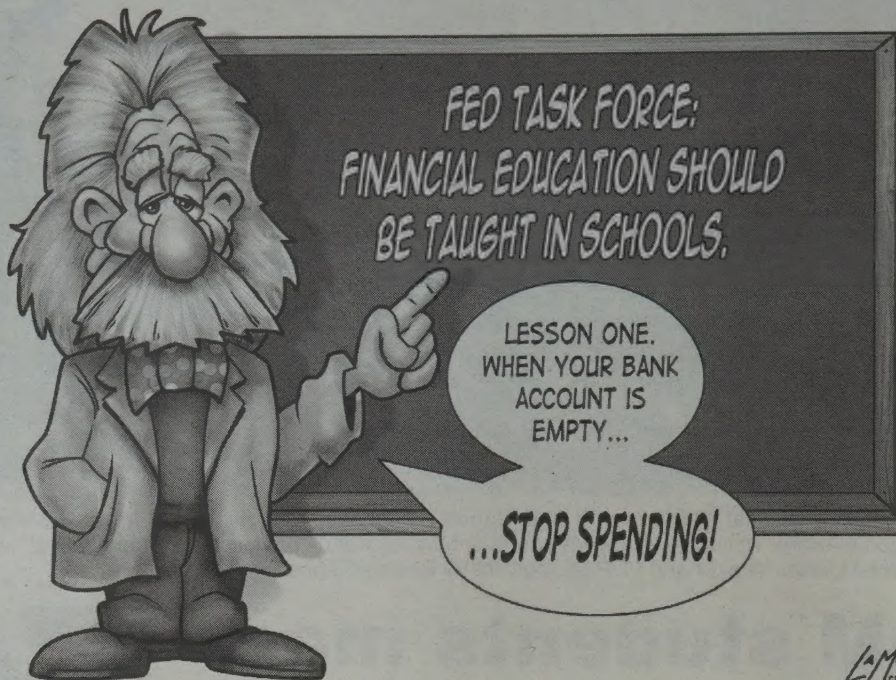
Vulcan Electric rinkmates Don Clark, Al MacPherson, Earnie Korenowski and Neil Snyder defeated Clarence Romaniuk's Nalco/Exxon rink to win the 13th annual Elk Point Oilmen's Bonspiel. Elk Point's First Annual Great Canadian Egg Race was a great success, with Jody Lecopoy's 'Egg-O-Matic' traveled an impressive 70 feet, four inches from the starting line to win the first prize.

2001

Progressive Conservative candidate Ray Danyluk opened his Elk Point campaign office behind Capitol Drugs, as he geared up for the March 12 provincial election. A trust fund was established to help Elk Point teen Jeffrey Young and his family cope with the ravages of a rare form of epilepsy and help him seek treatment at the Mayo Clinic.

2006

Minister of Community Development Gary Mar and MLA Ray Danyluk were dressed for the occasion in buckskin and buffalo hide for the Fur Trade Rendezvous hosted by the Friends of Fort George and Buckingham House, as Métis fiddler Walter Anderson led the way for the grand procession of dignitaries. Heinsburg School would stay open, thanks to the efforts of parents who petitioned the board to change their decision to close the facility at the end of the school year.



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GUEST COLUMN

Our relationships

Yesterday was Feb. 14, known as Valentine's Day, and cards, flowers and other special gifts were given to those we love. This week is also National Acts of Kindness Week, so we could really carry on for a few more days our special expressions to the ones we love. When we think of acts of kindness, the easiest act of kindness that we will bestow will be to a stranger. In other words it is harder for us to show acts of kindness to the person we love.

Actually, today, Feb. 15 is the National Flag Day of Canada. Let us look at our flag today and acknowledge how special each one of us is and note how grateful we are to be Canadians. In other words, let us show acts of kindness to our country of Canada by being more kind to each other.

In other words, our relationships with each other are something we all can improve on. Joe J. Christensen, has come up with the following suggestions for responding to challenges in Marriage.

Listen. How many of you have ever heard your wife or husband say: "Joe, or Sue, are you listening?" We don't know how the other person is feeling about something if we are not listening. Too often, we find ourselves waiting until the other person finishes speaking so we can say what we feel. In other words, we are not taking the time to reflect on what the person said before we respond.

Avoid "ceaseless pinpricking". Don't be too critical of each other's faults. Recognize that none of us is perfect. Few people have every changed for the better as a result of constant criticism or nagging. If we are not careful, some of what we offer as constructive criticism is actually destructive. At times it is better to leave some things unsaid. We all have examples of that one.

Keep your courtship alive. Make time to do things together - just the two of you. It doesn't need to be costly.



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EASTHOPE
from the FCSS desk

The time together is the most important element. Joe J. Christensen tells a cute story about his in-laws. Once when my father-in-law was leaving the house after lunch to return to the field to work, my mother-in-law said, "Albert, you get right back in here and tell me you love me." He grinned and jokingly said, "Elsie, when we were married, I told you I loved you, and if that ever changes, I'll let you know." Mr. Christensen goes on to say, "It's hard to overuse the expression 'I love you.' Use it daily."

Be quick to say, "I'm sorry." As hard as it is to form the words, be swift to say, "I apologize, and please forgive me," even though you are not the one who is totally at fault. True love is developed by those who are willing to readily admit personal mistakes and offenses. When differences do arise, being able to discuss and resolve them is important, but there are instances when it is best to take a time-out. Biting your tongue and counting to ten or even a hundred is important. And occasionally, even letting the sun go down on your wrath can help bring you back to the problem in the morning more rested, calm, and with a better chance for resolution.

Learn to live within your means. Some of the most difficult challenges in marriage arise in the area of finances. The American Bar Association has indicated that 89 per cent of all divorces could be traced to quarrels and accusations over money.

Be a true partner in home and family responsibilities. Don't be like the husband who sits around home expecting to be waited on, feeling that earning the living is his chore and that his wife alone is responsible for the house and taking care of the children. The task of caring for home and family is more than one person's responsibility. However wise this counsel may be, we are aware that some cultures have strong feelings about specific roles each partner in a marriage should play. It is a culture thing that may need to be studied.

The above are only suggestions. Look to determine which one best fits you and work on your relationship accordingly. After all, special days in any relationship can be more than one day a year.

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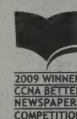
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Vicki Brooker, photo

Elk Point Micro Novice Avalanche took on the St. Paul Canadiens on Saturday morning to start off the local action for Hockey Day in Canada.

Hockey Day busy one in Elk Point

Friday night has always been the best night for hockey, in fact at one time the Midget Thunder and senior Elks used to argue over who would get to play on Friday nights, because it drew the biggest crowds, just ask my buddy Mike Boratynec, he'll tell you. We wish we still had that problem, right, Mike?

The St. Paul Canadiens, with a very short bench, players out with suspensions or injuries, and the Cold Lake Ice, took to the ice here on Friday night for the final game of their regular season, the Canadiens, with some of our Elk Point players in the line up were in control and were sailing along just fine with a 4 to 3 lead, nine skaters and a goalie, playing fairly smart, the game was better than half over before the crap would suddenly hit the fan, with three minutes left in the second period, a couple of minor penalties and the pot would boil over, two 10-minute misconducts were assessed to the Canadiens for chirping to the men in stripes, leaving only two spare players on the bench, and as things heated up, a few so-called fights erupted, playing most of the third period short handed, with more players in the sin bin than in the players box, the Canadiens would really be tested now, the final 7 to 4 for the Ice. Two goals for Jason "Juby" Jubinville, the second of these unassisted, singles for Danny Onciul, unassisted, and Jared Vallee and assists by Jeremy Blanchette and Brett "Moose" Ockerman.

Friday night was just a warmup for the Midgets, who hosted their home tournament this weekend, "The Moose" scoring a pair, Dakota "Doc" Amyotte and Danny Onciul one each in their first game against Vegreville, Wyatt Dewan playing out in this one and getting two assists, as did Riley Chantry, Dino Meger and "Juby" also assisting, however the Habs would lose this one. Saturday afternoon was much better, "Doc" opening the scoring, Danny Garrett with a hat trick, "Moose" with a pair, Dino Meger with one, those four all with assists

in a big win over Whitecourt. They met up with Whitecourt again in the 'C' final, and were down going into the third period, but came back hard for a 5-4 win.

doug BASSETT

Review Sports



These guys don't need to play Friday night in order to fill the stands, in fact the stands were full to capacity with parents and grandparents when the mighty **Micro-Novice Avalanche** played back to back home games this past weekend, Saturday morning against the St. Paul Canadiens, Jayden "Grizzly" Van Maarion and Luke Poulin with a hat trick each, Chayse "Cyclone" Pankiw with a goal and an assist.

On Sunday against the Dewberry Colts, feisty Jayden "Grizzly" Van Maarion with another hat trick, Dean "the Machine" Ockerman putting one through a screen finding the back of the cage, "the Spring Park Sniper" Kaden Allen setting up the "Machine". "Saint" Nic Penner and "King Kong Konner" Poitras were both full of energy on the forecheck creating big turnovers, Vanden Moroziuk, Joseph Cardinal and Brady Hymanyk doing a super job of keeping the play in the opposition's end of the rink. Down at the other end of the rink, Sam "Spiderman" Rogal blocking shots like a natural "D" man and Cash "CC" Capjack doing some awesome back checking.

Saturday afternoon the **Novice No. 2** team hosted Marwayne at home, much-improved skater, forward Wolke Cueva turning on the jets and scoring a real beauty on the top shelf, two-way defenseman Conner Lychak going coast to coast like he has many times in the past, also scoring for the Avalanche, "Hammering Hank" Rogal, and the towering center man "Sam I am" Henderson assisting, but the real story in this game was the dominate play of goalie "Darrian the Dominator" Rybchinsky who stoned Marwayne on numerous break-aways, took a couple right off the melon and never even flinched, he faced 39 shots in this game, blocking most of them.

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Cathy Ockerman photo

Elk Point Micro Novice Avalanche, shown here after their recent tournament, draw huge crowds of parents and grandparents to the A. G. Ross Arena when they hit the ice for one of their very entertaining games.

COUNTY OF ST. PAUL No.19



HIGHLIGHTS

February 8, 2011 Council Meeting

Administration Office Hours – Effective February 1, 2011, the County of St. Paul Administration Office is closed for lunch from 12:00–1:00 p.m.

Snow Removal – The County of St. Paul Joint Health and Safety Committee is reminding residents that when clearing snow from your driveway and pushing the snow across a County road, do not leave ridges on the road as these ridges can cause safety concerns for the travelling public.

Bylaw No. 1564 – A public hearing will be held at the March Council meeting to discuss leasing Lot 28ER, Block 2, Plan 8023220 to Gordon Scott. The Scott family has been leasing the property for a number of years, however a formal bylaw must be in place to lease the property for a maximum of 3 years. As per the Municipal Government Act, the property must remain in its natural state, the land may be used for foot access and no motorized vehicles are permitted on the land.

Town of St. Paul – Administration is currently working with the Town of St. Paul on the following documents:

- Renewing the Town and County Fire Services Agreement
- Waste Recycling Agreement at St. Paul Transfer Station
- Terms of Reference for Regional Economic Advisory Board

Regional Collaboration Grant – The County has submitted a joint application with the Town of Elk Point under the Municipal Affairs Regional Collaboration Grant for funding to develop an Intermunicipal Development Plan. If approved, the grant will assist the municipalities by covering approximately 60% of the costs associated with developing the IDP.

AAMD&C Standing Issues Committees – The AAMD&C is setting up Standing Issues Committees to deal with issues or tasks that arise as they relate to Government of Alberta Ministries or their federal counterparts. Council has nominated Reeve Upham to the Social Issues and Concerns Committee; Councillor Martin to the Infrastructure, Transportation and Municipal Affairs Committee and Councillor Ockerman to the Intergovernmental Relations, Finance and Justice Committee.

2010 Municipal Election Issue – Administration will be working on a resolution to be presented at the AAMD&C Zone 5 meeting seeking clarification on the Local Authorities Act regarding the nomination form. This resolution will be presented to the membership at the July 4th AAMD&C Zone 5 Meeting.

Funding approvals

- \$100 for the St. Paul Farmerettes Bonspiel
- \$10,000 for the St. Paul Chamber of Commerce for operating
- \$4,000 for the Elk Point Chamber of Commerce for operating
- \$1,500 for Mallaig Chamber of Commerce for operating
- \$500 for North East Alberta Track Club to attend International track meet in Idaho
- \$1,000 transportation grant for St. Paul Senior Citizens Club
- \$5,000 to Racette School for upgrade to playground equipment

Conferences/Seminars – Staff members and Council members were approved to attend the following conferences & seminars:

- Trails of 1885 Input Conference – Dach
- Michelin Safety Training & Tour – Warholik
- AAMD&C Spring Convention – All Council, Kitz, Mahdiuk, Warholik
- Growing Rural Tourism Conference – Dach
- Municipal Administration Leadership Workshop – Kitz
- Reynolds Mirth Richards Farmer Law Seminar – All Council, Kitz, Mahdiuk, deMoissac, Bergheim, Fedoretz

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Vicki Brooker photo

Winter Walk

Feb. 9 was declared National Winter Walk day by SHAPE (Safe, Active Healthy People Everywhere), with the total number of minutes walked by each group sent in at the end of the day. The students and staff of the Elk Point Elementary School invited parents, friends and community members to join the approximately one kilometer walk and embrace winter together.



Multi Club speakers

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Seven speakers made up the senior group, with first-year 4-H member Madeline Ludlage wowing the judges with a speech entitled 'Women Who Inspire Us' to earn the ATB Financial trophy. Bailey Oster came a close second with her views on 'Social Networking.'

Parrish Tung and your reporter judged the intermediate and senior speakers and the presentations, and were joined by Emma Holota in judging the speeches and by Cathy Ockerman in judging the presentations. Ellen Seward and Lucille Smith served as timers and tellers, while Faye Irvine assisted at the impromptu table.

Elk Point 4-H Multi Club speakers and presenters were happy with a job well done as they gathered for a group photo at the conclusion of a long day of competition.



Mona Bristow photos

4-H Craft Project members, back: Madison MacDonald, Bryce Osinchuk, Ashley Bristow, middle: Nicole Bristow, Tammy Roberts, Dallas Bristow (Cleaver Kid), and front: Brianna White, made the cute candy jars that judges, timer, teller and impromptu assistant receive as thank-you gifts on Sunday.



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One step at a time: the highway that borders the EPOS library shows steady tracks of progress, each footprint signifying a student's completion of a module in one of the four core subjects.

Elk Point Outreach School opens doors to community

By Vicki Brooker
Review Staff

Elk Point Outreach School opened its doors to the public on Thursday evening, displaying student accomplishments and explaining the role this small but thriving educational facility plays in the community.

EPOS addresses the need to provide quality education for all students within St. Paul Education Regional Division No. 1, by providing students from 13 to 19 years of age, in grades seven through 12, with instruction in a small, friendly setting. Informal, supportive student/teacher relationships, a safe and relaxed environment, individualized programs, flexible attendance policy and timelines that allow students to work at their own pace, extra programs that enhance learning for each student, and access to a variety of community resources and services make this school a good alternative for students with full or part-time jobs, young parents and those who are not reaching their potential in a conventional school setting.

Instructor Adrian Kiss and his assistant, Becky Dunham, guide students at their own pace through the core subjects and beyond, fitting in sessions on art, food science and physical training, while Cree instructor Jackie Steinhauer comes in once a week to teach cultural topics, current projects including making elaborately beaded moccasins. Career counselors also pay visits, as does principal Janice Muench, who also is the principal of St. Paul Alternate Education Centre, New Horizons Outreach

School and St. Paul Store Front Campus.

EPOS is in its fourth year, and is now midway through its first year in its new location, the former FCSS building next door to the Elk Point Elks Hall. "We love the new building, and we love having a kitchen," Dunham says, noting that students can "make themselves a piece of toast when they get to school" and otherwise make themselves at home. They've come a long way, she says, from when they started out "with no computers, no phone, working out of boxes, and nine students waiting to register. 'Now we have 27 students.'"

Open house visitors were

offered tickets on a 50/50 draw, invited by Chnatal McQuinn to sign pledge sheets for an upcoming Hair Massacre that will benefit the Stollery Children's Hospital and the Make a Wish Foundation. Damien Pelletier and Justin Cardinal were ready and waiting to serve up hot dogs, while in the next area, Stephen Lajimodiere and Kyle Pelletier presided over a bake sale table loaded with tempting treats. Students and staff took turns selling tickets on a nearby trio of gift baskets.

In the school's 1,500-volume library, Kuna Gadwa and Faith Desjarlais offered everything from hardcover romance novels to paper-

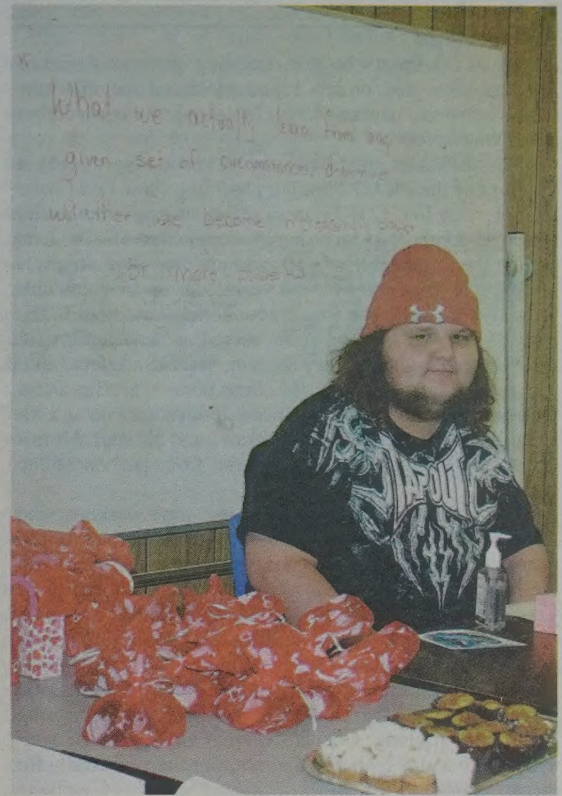
back mysteries at their book sale. This room also houses the school's smart board, where visitors paused to watch a power point presentation created by Kaitlin Orr that showed students at work and play. A 'highway' border stretches around the top of the room, with a growing line of multicoloured footprints marching along it, each print marking a successfully completed module in a core subject.

The completed modules are also recognized on a huge chart in the main classroom, where the students do much of their work on laptops obtained through the Computers for Schools program.

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Kuna Gadwa and Faith Desjarlais taste-test the cupcakes while they wait for book sale customers.



Vicki Brooker photos

EPOS student Kyle Pelletier and (not shown) Stephen Lajimodiere presided over bake sale tables loaded with cupcakes, Valentine's gift baskets and other treats at the open house.

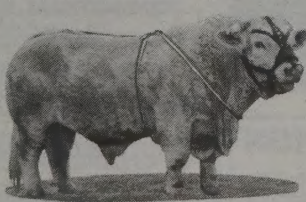
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New home for longtime business

Accounting firm has seen steady growth over the past 38 years

By VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

One of Elk Point's longest-operating businesses marked 38 years of progress on Jan. 1, and celebrated that milestone with a move to a new and larger location at the north end of the downtown core.

Allen J. Warawa first hung out his accounting shingle in the front of the PRAG Plumbing building (now Old Castle Antiques) on Jan. 1, 1973, in an office so small that he and employee Lynn Blacklock shared a single desk. In 1982, he bought the former Bill's Appliances and Furniture premises on Railway Ave., and over the years, saw his business outgrow that as well. The firm's new home started out in the early 1980s as a clothing store, served as headquarters for the Northern Lights Library System, became a safety training facility and later as the first home for Elk Point Outreach School, before this recent renovation into an efficient facility to accommodate Warawa and his staff. Mom's Cream and Sugar Café occupies the front portion of the building.

That staff numbers 11 full and part-time workers, who along with Warawa, represent an accumulated total of 145 years of accounting experience. Blacklock has been with the firm since the beginning, while Susan Bardoel has 27 years and Betty Melnyk 25 years to their credit.

"Some of the staff come in three days a week," Warawa says. "We try to make it family-friendly." He's even planning to equip the new facility's boardroom with a DVD player and a popcorn maker for when his workers bring their children along. Clients' children are also made welcome, with a play corner in the reception area especially for them.

The main workroom is divided with eight chest-high walls into eight workstations, each equipped with ample desk and storage space for efficient operation. Warawa has a separate office and there are several smaller offices for meeting with clients and for further expansion.

Warawa has a new diploma to add to the décor of his own office, this one from the Academy of Financial Divorce Specialists. He is only the fourth specialist in this field to be registered in Alberta, and says he now trained to deal with financial matters and division of assets in a completely neutral manner, whether the breakdown is of a marriage or a business, and to provide pertinent information independently to lawyers representing both parties.

In the future, Warawa hopes to add two more accoun-



Vicki Brooker photo

Allen Warawa serves the accounting needs of Elk Point and surrounding areas with a large and capable staff: standing, left to right: Lacey Bardoel, Phyllis Pankiw, Willow Jaremko, Michelle Marcoux, Bonnie Fairbairn, Hope Dyjur, Sheana Pankiw; seated, left to right, Betty Melnyk, Lynn Blacklock, Allen Warawa, Susan Bardoel, Wendy Stepaniuk.

tants to the lineup, so he can spend more time on his other passions, public speaking and flying, and with his family. He might even find time, he says, to attend the twice-monthly meetings of the chamber of commerce, where he was president and Blacklock was secretary some three decades ago.

His long association with Elk Point has been beneficial, Warawa says. "The community has supported me over the years. It's a great community and I'm glad to be part of it. The small business owners and individuals in this community do all the hard work it takes to keep it going."

Warawa and his employees definitely know about hard work: they're "busy all the time, but these three months -

February, March and April, that's the big, big crunch." Electronic filing, he says, "sure isn't paperless" at the accountants' end, "but maybe it saves time for the government." On paper or on line, Warawa and crew are likely to be the busiest people in town in the next few weeks, as they translate the community's shoeboxes of bills into tidy statements of income and expense and the accompanying calculations that Ottawa requires.

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Sherry Smith presented a SUPER FOODS program to the St. Paul TOPS group (Take of Pounds Sensibly) Tuesday, Jan. 18. Smith, of Elk Point, was appointed as a Provincial Area Captain for TOPS on January 1, 2011. She will be responsible for club education and programming in North Central Alberta. Sherry will continue to be an active member of the TOPS group in Elk Point. The local TOPS group meets Tuesdays at 5:15 in the Continuing Education Building. TOPS is a low cost volunteer group that provides support for weight loss through accountability and information.

Below, Sherry is shown with St. Paul TOPS group leader Evelyn Collins.

Beverly Smith photos



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Sophie Schmidt

Getaway guide at the library

BY DAPHNE SCHNURER
Librarian

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OBITUARY

SMITH, Dwayne

Dwayne Smith of Vanderhoof, B.C., formerly of Elk Point, passed away in Vanderhoof, B.C. on February 3, 2011.

He was born on June 11, 1926 and was predeceased by his parents, Fred & Edna Smith, one brother Fred Jr., one sister Geraldine. He is survived by his wife Gunver, daughter Laura, step-daughter Karen, stepsons Clifford, Everett and Ray, numerous grandchildren, nieces and nephews; one sister Thelma (Robert) Phillips.

Funeral Services were held on Friday, February 11, 2011 at Vanderhoof, B.C.

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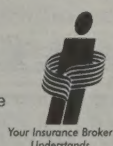
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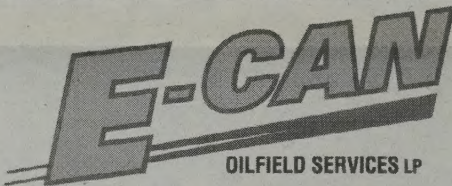
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Hockey Day

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A hot goalie gave the Novice No. 1 a nightmare on Saturday, when the Avalanche traveled 45 minutes south on highway 41 to Vermilion, the Avalanche did however manage to get three past him, Colton "B Train" Van Maaron, Hayden "Hot Wheels" Ludlage and "Danny boy" Cardinal scoring. Goalie Ronan "Radar" Poulin between the pipes for the Avalanche had his hands full in this one, but was doing a mighty fine job.

Over in Mallaig on Sunday the Atom Avalanche needed a win to make it into the playoffs, they played the best hockey they could, they outplayed Mallaig on in all three periods, but it just wasn't in the cards, they didn't win, but according to coach Kevin McGillivray this team has come a long way, they play with respect and stay focused and each player has developed so well this year, he is really proud of them and looking forward to the remainder of the season, playing some exhibition games and maybe a tournament to further develop the players.

Coming up this weekend, the big event that we all have been waiting for, at least for our family and especially her mother and Daddy-0, the wedding of Jena "the Princess" Bassett on Saturday. And on Family Day Monday from 12:30 to 3 p.m., get your family off the couch and come out for some free skating, free

hotdogs, hamburgers and pop.

Speaking of families, Jim Vinge was a family man, he loved his family and he loved hockey, no one is ever going to argue this. To honor our good friend Jimmy we have a special event coming up at the end of March, on the 26-27th weekend, just before we shut down the plant for the season, the Jim Vinge Memorial Rec Hockey Tournament, formally known as the Last Hurrah, but this year we have decided to have a new format and make it less competitive and more family oriented, you enter as a player, pay you \$100 entry fee by March 8, and you will be drafted onto a team, anyone of any caliber will be able to play, some old guys like the "Hound Dog" are signing up, some former Elks alumni players are coming back, as well as a few former NHL-ers who will be in the line up. Saturday night we will be hosting a supper, a Hot Stove session, silent auction and dance at the Elks Hall. This is going to be a fun filled event so don't delay, get you entry in today.

And now for the K.A.Campbell quote of the week: "Anyone who'd miss Mario would miss Marilyn Monroe." Last week's answer to: "He could snap a puck through a refrigerator door." - Wayne Gretzky on Mario Lemieux. Do you have a sports scoop? Now you can email them to sportshound007@hotmail.com

Outreach School

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Near the chart is a sign reminding students to turn in their journals each day. Dunham says the journals facilitate "open communication. They list their goals for the day, and whether they've reached them. They can give their comments, they can vent when things don't go well. They give them to Adrian or me, and we add our feedback."

The open house was a big success, both in showcasing the school to the community and in raising funds to help with this year's Success Celebration on June 11. Over \$150 was raised for the Hair Massacre. Margaret Gadwa, Debra Orr and this reporter were the lucky winners of the gift baskets, while door prizes

donated by Elk Point Pharmacy, the Calgary Stampeders and the Town of Elk Point went to Peggy Maas, Stacy Dunham, Vicki Brooker and Megan Labrie. Stacy Dunham also won the 50/50, which he kindly donated back to the school.



Beaded moccasins are one of the projects now underway at EPOS.

County tax penalties

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Fodness suggested the matter should be discussed by the commission and asked the information to be forwarded to Evergreen. "Those farmers are long time residents in this county, they own lots of property, and they did a major clean-up. They pay a tax every year on those properties to (Evergreen Waste Management) commission and it is not a huge request, just policy reconsideration," said Fodness.

However, a motion to forward the information to Evergreen's board was defeated.

Chemical building shed

County council passed a motion to construct a shed to store pesticides that are used for weed and brush control on municipal right of ways and chlorine for water treatment plants. Council was presented with two bids, and they chose to go with the lowest bid, of \$45,268, from St. Paul's RR Construction Ltd.

Racette playground

County approved a donation of \$5,000 to install swings at Racette School. Even though the county no longer receives the grant funding from the province to support such projects, Sloan noted councillors had "already set the precedence" by supporting the construction of playgrounds at other schools and should do so for Racette as well. A motion from Sloan to make the donation was put forth and approved.

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Volunteerism hits three targets of kindness – you feel good about yourself, you help someone in an organization and you help people you never met." When he asked how many of those present have volunteered, "way more hands came up than in most schools."

To those in Grade 11 and 12, he noted, "If you're going into many post-secondary programs, you need to be able to show volunteer hours. They will give you a foot in the door to what you want to accomplish in life."

Target Number Two is being kind to someone in your community. Being kind to people you know is essential, Gordon said. "Everyone has worth. I believe that I have worth and I believe that you have worth, too. A lot of times we judge people as being worthless, but every human has worth, it has nothing to do with how they look or where they live."

Target Three, he said, "is the easiest to keep, with such agencies as the food banks. People never have trouble with Number Three. They happily do that; it's a piece of cake. Kindness to people you know, that's hard."

Gordon had handed out carnations to some of those present, and told them, "It's only a loaner, but I don't want it back. You must give it away, but not in this gymnasium, not to anyone who asks, and you must give it away before it dies. The power of kindness comes from the movement of kindness."

Gordon said he was "so excited that the first Order of the PUP exists in Elk Point," and that excitement grew as several of the crowd of teens dressed in "Order of the PUP" t-shirts sponsored in part by Knotty Boyz Embroidery came forward to present him with one of their shirts at the conclusion of the presentation. Gordon's presentation was sponsored by Elk Point Further Education.

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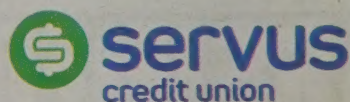
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